GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR RIVER GANGA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently sought assistance from the World Bank for cleaning river Ganga;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided by the World Bank for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (c): Preliminary consultations have been started for seeking World Bank support for the activities of the National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA), which was set up on 20th February, 2009 for conservation of river Ganga.A proposal for availing Project Preparation Facility (PPF) assistance of US $ 2.96 million has been forwarded to the World Bank. PPF would be utilised for preparation of the detailed project report.